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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Robert A. Weaver *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/733,608

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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PROCESSING A MICROELECTRONIC
WORKPIECE AT AN ELEVATED
TEMPERATURE

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Under 37 CFR § 1.97(f)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed August 9, 2002.

On January 2, 2002, applicant mailed an Information Disclosure Statement to the USPTO, which included a modified Form PTO-1449 and copies of the cited references. The Examiner has requested resubmission of the International Search Report.

Accordingly, enclosed is Form PTO-1449 in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98, and a copy of the International Search Report.

Applicant believes no fee is due since it is clear that applicant made a bona fide attempt to comply with 37 CFR 1.98, and the lack of compliance was inadvertent (37 CFR 1.97(f)). Nonetheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee for acceptance of this request to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

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